

that during the month of August there was received for rent of city property \$76,216 71, which amount was transferred to the Sinking Fund; \$1,408 73 was received as interest on deposits during the same time. The total amount of bills paid by the Board was \$33,410 95, and the pay rolls and salaries for the month footed \$27,911 56, which left \$251,379 67 in the treasury. Superintendent Westervelt was authorized to build a new pier, costing \$6,500, at the foot of East Fifteenth street. Pier 57 was granted to the use of the United States Engineers' Bureau.

THE BIENVILLE DEBATE—AN INVESTIGATION.—To ascertain the facts in relation to the burning of the steamer Bienville the government has ordered an investigation, which will begin this morning at the office of the Steamboat Inspection, No. 23 Pine street. Mr. Joseph Mershon, Inspector of Hulls at Philadelphia, and John K. Mathews, of this city, Inspector of Boilers, are named to conduct it. In a recent editorial the Herald noticed the fact that similar investigations, as a general rule, are simply whitewashing operations. How does the composition of this commission illustrate that assertion? Mr. Mathews inspected and passed the Bienville a short time before she sailed on her fatal voyage. He was also the inspector who passed the Westfield a few weeks before her terrible explosion last year. While we distinctly disclaim any imputation upon this inspector, there is an obvious impropriety in his passing judicially upon his own executive action in certifying the Bienville, when it is distinctly asserted that the failure to extinguish the fire in her hold occurred because the donkey-pumping engine proved worthless. What the public want in the Bienville case is a thorough exposure of the causes of her destruction, which shall fix the blame on the guilty. A coat of whitewash will not be accepted. All who know anything tending to elucidate the matter should appear at 23 Pine street and testify.

THE CONGRESS OF OLD CATHOLICS has convened in session at Cologne. The attendance of delegates is quite numerous, and the opening proceedings, which were witnessed and assisted by dignitaries of the Protestant Churches of England and the United States, were of a very animated character. The most important consequences may result to the civilizations of the world from this congregation of the modern Council of Cologne.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Blair General W. S. Hartney is in St. Louis. General Burnside is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Secretary Robeson is still at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Elizabeth has been paying attentions to General Grant and nobody is jealous. General John S. Preston, of South Carolina, is in quarters at the New York Hotel. Superintendent Merrill, of the Vermont Central, has tendered his resignation. Governor E. M. McCook, of Colorado, is again in the city, at the Elms House. Ex-Governor W. B. Lawrence, of Rhode Island, has arrived at the Brovoort House. Senator Fenton yesterday came to the city. He is staying at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. H. W. Halliwell, Secretary of the Philadelphia Board of Education, is at the Hoffman House. United States Senator P. W. Hitchcock of Nebraska, has arrived at the St. Nicholas Hotel. "Gilding the female sex" is now the way of putting the matter of women's rights out West. Daniel N. Haskell, of the Boston Transcript, is in town; so is E. C. Hancock, of the New Orleans Times. It is reported that Robert Bonner will retire from the active management of the Ledger in the Spring. Secretary Delano left Washington yesterday morning for Ohio, to take part in the pending political campaign in that State. Captain William L. Wiley was recently thrown from a wagon on the Grand Boulevard, and narrowly escaped serious injury. Sir George Cartier, Minister of Militia of the Dominion of Canada, will sail from Quebec for England to-day. The journey is being taken for the restoration of the Minister's health. Ex-Postmaster E. J. Cleveland, of Hartford, Conn., has just returned from Europe, and there is a general scramble among the political managers to secure his services in the pending campaign. Assistant Secretary Cowen, of the Interior Department, was yesterday called from Washington to Belmar, Ohio, by a telegram announcing that his child was dying. Mr. George Westenhelm, of Sheffield, England, is at the Clarendon Hotel. This gentleman is the head of the well known English firm of cutlery manufacturers that bears his name. Nathaniel Niles, ex-Speaker of the New Jersey House of Representatives, has been sued by the New Jersey Railroad Company for an article he contributed to the Nation. Damages laid at the modest figure of \$5,000.00. Probably the Company aims at discovering the resources of all the Niles. Joseph Jefferson, or, rather, Rip Van Winkle, as the actor's personality seems to have become merged into the character of the drama, yesterday arrived at the Hoffman House from his country place at Hokokus. The affection of his eyes with which Mr. Jefferson suffered for some time has been overcome and his sight is now as good as it ever was. That he may not strain his repaired vision, Mr. Jefferson has decided not to reappear on the stage during this season. Of course theatre-goers will regret this, unless they remember that it is better they should be temporarily deprived of the pleasure given by Mr. Jefferson's acting, than enjoy it for a short period and possibly never after.

THE YACHT RACE FOR THE CHALLENGE CUP.

A despatch received in this city from Bay Shore, L. I., announces that the yacht Rambler passed Fire Island, going west, at ten o'clock yesterday morning, two miles ahead of the Madeleine.

A SWINDLER RAFFLED.

QUINCINNATI, Ohio, Sept. 20, 1872. Yesterday morning a man giving the name of Wade presented at the banking house of Seasongood, Netter & Co. what purported to be a letter of introduction from the cashier of the German American Bank of New York, and a certificate of deposit from the same bank of \$10,000, which he requested cashed. The members of the firm hesitated, and made inquiry. Mr. Wade in the meantime left. A telegram from New York pronounced the letter a forgery, and stated that the certificate had been raised from \$100. Wade has disappeared.

THE LABOR REFORM UNION.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Sept. 20, 1872. The resolutions purporting to have been passed by the Labor Reform Union, No. 10, compelling Governor Geary and condemning the Lumbermen's Exchange of this city, were not passed by that Union. The names named to them as president and secretary are not the names of its officers, and no meeting of the Union has been held.

SUPREME COURT, GENERAL TERM, CALENDAR.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 20, 1872. The following is the calendar for Monday, September 23: Nos. 130, 145, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

LIVINGSTONE.

A Letter from the Great Explorer to an American.

The Herald's Service Done Right Nobly.

The Slave Traders Destroy His Letters to the Coast.

Tribute to the American Geographical Society.

AMONG THE PHILISTINES.

"Strong, Well and Completely Equipped, Thanks to the Americans."

The subjoined letter, with an enclosure from Dr. David Livingstone to W. F. Stearns, Esq., dated Unyanyembe, March 13, 1872, was among the number brought to the coast by Mr. Stanley, the Herald's correspondent. The package was forwarded, as directed, to Bombay, to the firm of Stearns, Hobart & Co., in which Mr. Stearns was a partner at the date of Dr. Livingstone's departure for the coast of Africa in 1866. Mr. Stearns, who is an American, and son of President Stearns, of Amherst College, is now engaged in business here, hence the letter and enclosure had to be re-directed to this city, where they

ARRIVED YESTERDAY FROM BOMBAY.

The enclosure referred to in the letter is dated November, 1870, from Manyema, Central Africa. In it a special and friendly reference is made by Dr. Livingstone to the American Geographical Society, with a request that Mr. Stearns would communicate such

EXTRACTS TO THAT SCIENTIFIC BODY

as he saw fit. Mr. Stearns therefore withholds the enclosure from publication in order that he may first carry out the great traveler's commission to the American Society. Dr. Livingstone has been

FOR MANY YEARS A CORRESPONDING MEMBER of the American Geographical Society. He was about to be made an honorary member of the body six years ago; but, owing to the doubts of his being alive, this has not been carried into effect. The society at their earliest meeting now propose to carry this project out, owing to the knowledge of the Doctor's safety, as brought by the Herald's expedition. Judge Daly stated to a Herald reporter yesterday that it was the intention of the Society to

GIVE A RECEPTION TO MR. STANLEY

on his arrival in this country. They admired the generosity which conceived the expedition and the courage and devotion which carried it out. It was, he said, something for all Americans to be proud of.

DR. LIVINGSTONE'S LETTER TO MR. STEARNS

UNYANYEMBE, I. E., SIXTY DAYS SMART, MARCHING FROM THE EAST COAST, AFRICA, March 13, 1872.

MY DEAR STEARNS:—

I have written to you before, but my letters were destroyed, because I have been considered a spy on the slave traders. The enclosure was penned long ago, among the cannibals, when I had no paper. I gave you an idea of matters then, but my own knowledge has been increasing, and perhaps the enclosed statements do not tally exactly with what I have to say now, and much of which will be published in my despatches. I have to thank you very heartily for all your kindness to me in Bombay and afterwards.

A TRIBUTE TO THE HERALD.

This goes to the coast by Henry M. Stanley, travelling correspondent of the New York Herald, sent by James Gordon Bennett, Jr., to aid your servant, and he has done it right nobly.

NOW HE IS ROBBED.

Our Consul believed the Banians, who are the chief slave traders, by means of Arab agents, when they said they would forward supplies of goods and men to me. They sent slaves instead of men, and all the efforts of slaves and masters were faithfully directed to securing my failure. I was plundered shamelessly and forced back about five hundred miles from discovering the fifth great lake below the sources. But Mr. Stanley has supplied every want, and I now only need to rediscover the ancient fountains of Herodotus and retire.

MONEY MATTERS.

The Agra and Masterman's bank broke. The receipt for £1,000 is in Mr. T.—'s strong box, and he can draw out the deposit. All scientific expeditions are universally exempted from loss, even in time of war. Please tell them that I cannot enter into any creditor's arrangement; they must return the whole deposit and interest according to the rules agreed upon by all civilized people, and I hope they will act in accordance with what is manifestly right.

HOW ONE LETTER REACHED THE COAST.

The buffaloes were killed for me; but the driver hid a letter on his person, knowing that on its production his wages depended. This was the only one of forty sent. The Governor here, who is merely a low Banian trade agent, called by simple people the Great Sheikh Syde ben

Salem, destroyed them and others to prevent evidence of plundering my goods going to the coast.

READY! THANKS TO THE AMERICANS.

I have been among the Philistines, my dear fellow, but am now strong and well, and, thanks to the Americans, completely equipped for my concluding trip. . . . And believe me, ever truly yours,

DAVID LIVINGSTONE.

* This bank resumed payment immediately afterwards, and no loss could, therefore, have resulted to the explorer

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20, 1872.

The San Juan Boundary.

There is much anxiety in official circles to hear the result of the San Juan arbitration by the Emperor of Germany. The case was closed last April, and in the case and counter-cases of both governments the fullest evidence was furnished for the information of the arbitrator. The question was not regarded as a complex one by the Joint High Commission, and the article of the treaty providing for its final settlement was the decision in Emperor William, from which there can be no appeal. It was expected that the decision would be announced simultaneously with that of the Geneva arbitration; but the premature publication of the amount gave the English press an opportunity for expressing its opinion on the result. This, it is understood in diplomatic quarters, has been wholly unfavorable for the announcement of the Emperor's decision, if in our favor.

The opinion of the Attorney General, who drew up the case, is that the arbitrator has wisely deferred announcing his opinion until the excitement in England, consequent upon the result at Geneva, has subsided. Article 42 of the treaty merely requests the Emperor to give his award in writing as early as convenient after the whole case on each side has been laid before him. Of his convenience he is his own judge. An unfavorable award, however, would not surprise him.

The Statistical Congress at St. Petersburg.

Information has been received here from St. Petersburg indicating that the members of the International Statistical Congress were treated by the Russian government and the municipality of St. Petersburg with marked kindness and the highest consideration. Free transportation by rail was furnished them from the frontier to St. Petersburg, where the delegates were met by the government officials on their arrival and directed to the hotels, at which accommodations had been provided for them at the public expense. The former building of the Ministry of the Interior, handsomely fitted up for the occasion, was placed at the disposal of the Congress for the meetings of its several sections. Postal and telegraphic facilities and all the leading newspapers of Europe were provided in the building. Carriages for the use of the delegates were placed at their several hotels and every convenience which care and forethought could suggest was abundantly provided. There appears to be a general desire among the European members of the Congress to hold the next session, two years hence, in the United States. Competition for the Saturday Mail to Europe.

The agents of the White Star, Inman and Bremen steamship lines, all competing for carrying the Saturday's mail from New York to Europe, to-day presented their arguments to the Postmaster General, and he promised to make the award to-morrow. The Inman line has been carrying the mail since October 1, 1870, accepting the contract for two years.

At the hearing to-day Postmaster General Crosswell decided that the mail should be left at Queens-town, which ruled the Bremen line out. The next question was as to the relative speed of the vessels of the other lines. It was conceded that the White Star line had by far the swiftest vessels, and to that company it is understood the contract will be to-morrow awarded.

All three offer to carry the mails on the existing terms—namely, for the sea postage of two cents per letter, which amounts to about seventy-five thousand dollars per annum.

Lieutenant Wheeler's Survey Progressing.

Advices from Lieutenant Wheeler's surveying party, dated the 15th inst. and received at the War Department to-day, make no mention of trouble with the Indians. The expedition is progressing smoothly and successfully.

A Marine Stabbed.

A marine named Kernan was found about twelve o'clock last night near the Navy Yard, he having been stabbed in the right breast by some party unknown. He was taken to the police station, where surgical aid was rendered. He has remained insensible since.

Payment of Interest Coupons.

The Treasury Department gives notice that all interest coupons due November 1, 1872, will be paid on presentation at the proper offices on and after Saturday, the 21st inst., upon a rebate of interest at the rate of six per cent per annum in gold.

Mutilated Currency.

The following is an extract from a letter written by General Spiller to-day on the subject of the redemption of mutilated currency, under the act of June 8, 1872, with the instructions of the Post Office Department:—

It is the duty of every postmaster to register in the manner prescribed by law, but without payment of any registration fee, all letters containing fractional or other currency of the United States delivered to him for mailing to the Treasurer of the United States for redemption. Postmasters and others may forward defaced and mutilated currency to this office for redemption, and receive returns either in new currency or drafts on New York, Boston, Philadelphia or New Orleans, without risk or expense, and with no loss of time beyond that required to convey and count their remittances.

No More Investigation.

It is understood that there will be no more investigations until after the election.

The United States Steamship Hartford.

The Navy Department to-day ordered the officers to the Hartford at New York to report on the 1st of October. She is assigned to the Asiatic squadron, as the flagship of Rear-Admiral Jenkins.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATIONS.

Massachusetts.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 20, 1872.

The Eighth Congressional District Republican Convention unanimously nominated J. M. S. Williams of Cambridge, for Congress, and A. C. Mayhew of Milford, Presidential Elector. Governor Claflin was President of the Convention.

Missouri.

St. Louis, Sept. 20, 1872.

The Democrats of the Eleventh district have nominated John E. Clark, Jr., for Congress.

St. Joseph, Sept. 20, 1872.

The Democrats and liberal republicans of this District to-day nominated Judge Bennett Pike for Congress in place of General Craig, who recently declined the nomination.

REORGANIZATION OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRACY.

A New Constitution and By-Laws to Be Prepared.

The National Democracy General Committee held a meeting last evening at headquarters, No. 39 Union square, and it was proposed to reorganize on the basis of one delegate from each election district instead of three. A committee of seven on credentials was then appointed. On motion Mr. B. Wood a committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws for the new General Committee. Speeches then followed by Mr. J. Lagerman, attacking Tammany's democracy and doctrine, stating that Apollo Hall would counteract Tammany's errors. He was followed by Mr. B. Wood, who pleaded for pure democratic association, and praised Senator O'Brien for leaving Tammany. The meeting then adjourned after the transaction of some routine business.

THE STRAIGHT-OUTS IN MISSOURI.

St. Louis, Sept. 20, 1872.

A Straight-Out Democratic State Convention for the nomination of an electoral ticket and the appointment of a State Central Committee has been called to meet at Jefferson City October 4.

SPAIN.

Plan of Campaign Against the Cuban Revolution.

Cabinet Consideration of the Project—Who Aid the Islanders—Carlin and Aguirre—Curious News for a Christian Pontiff—Army Reorganization.

TELEGRAMS TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

MADRID, Sept. 20, 1872.

Captain General Ceballos has forwarded to the Department of War a plan for the campaign against the Cuban insurgents. The plan meets with the approval of Señor Cordoba, who has submitted it to the five Ministers.

THE "MEN IN THE GAIT" IN THE INSURGENT ANTILLAS.

It is officially announced that the number of insurgents in arms against the government in Cuba is 4,500, a great majority of whom are Mexicans, Dominicans and Americans. The carrying into effect of the reforms promised on that island will be prevented as long as the motto of the Cubans is "Death to Spain."

ARMY REORGANIZATION WITHOUT THE CONSCRIPTION.

A sharp debate occurred in the Cortes yesterday between Señor Zorilla, Minister of State, and Señor Ulloa, which resulted in the declaration by Señor Zorilla that he would "abolish the system of military conscription in Spain and introduce in the Cortes a bill for the reorganization of the army."

Carlist News for a Peaceful Pontiff.

A letter purporting to have been written by Don Carlos to the Pope is circulating in Paris. It promises the speedy renewal of the Carlist insurrection in Spain with ample means.

FRANCE.

Cabinet Council and Ministerial Measures for the Maintenance of Order.